

REMARKS

Claims 69-86 are amended to correct typographical errors. Claims 87-103 have been added to claim additional subject matter to which Applicants believe they are entitled. No new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

Because no new matter has been added, Applicants respectfully submit that the above-referenced patent application is entitled to the original filing date of March 31, 2001.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

69. (Amended) An apparatus for inter-module communication between at least one channel driver and a communication server, wherein the channel driver is operable to interface with one or more communication devices, and further wherein two or more of the communication devices can use different media types, the apparatus ~~method~~ comprising:
means for defining a command definition, wherein
said command definition comprises commands for interfacing the at least one channel driver with the communication server.
70. (Amended) The apparatus ~~method~~ of claim 69, further comprising:
means for invoking a command to request a media type list.
71. (Amended) The apparatus ~~method~~ of claim 69, further comprising:
means for invoking a command to request a command event list.
72. (Amended) The apparatus ~~method~~ of claim 69, further comprising:
means for invoking a command to create a driver object.
73. (Amended) The apparatus ~~method~~ of claim 69, further comprising:
means for invoking a command to request a service object.
74. (Amended) The apparatus ~~method~~ of claim 69, further comprising:
means for invoking a command to release a driver object.
75. (Amended) The apparatus ~~method~~ of claim 69, further comprising:
means for invoking a command to issue a notice when handling of an event is complete.
76. (Amended) The apparatus ~~method~~ of claim 69, further comprising:
means for invoking a command to suspend a work item.
77. (Amended) The apparatus ~~method~~ of claim 69, further comprising:
means for invoking a command to resume a work item.

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78. (Amended) The apparatus method of claim 69, further comprising:
means for invoking a command to handle a queued event.

79. (Amended) The apparatus method of claim 69, further comprising:
means for invoking a command to cancel a queued event.

80. (Amended) The apparatus method of claim 69, further comprising:
means for interfacing the communication server with a queuing system.

81. (Amended) The apparatus method of claim 69, further comprising:
means for detecting incoming events from the communication devices.

82. (Amended) The apparatus method of claim 69, further comprising:
means for instantiating a task thread to detect incoming events from the
communication devices.

83. (Amended) The apparatus method of claim 69, further comprising:
means for detecting an incoming event from one of the communication devices; and
means for invoking a function to handle the event.

84. (Amended) The apparatus method of claim 83, further comprising:
means for queuing the event to a memory cache.

85. (Amended) The apparatus method of claim 84, further comprising:
means for indicating the arrival of the event.

86. (Amended) The apparatus method of claim 85, further comprising:
means for dequeuing the event out of the memory cache and processing the event.

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